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A Level History A

Y205/01 Exploration, Encounters and Empire 1445–1570

Time allowed: 1 hour



You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet

INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Choose **one** question and answer **all** the parts of that question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **30**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- Quality of extended response will be assessed in questions marked with an asterisk (*).
- This document has **2** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **EITHER** all of Question 1 **OR** all of Question 2.

1 (a) Which of the following made the greater contribution to exploration?

(i) da Gama

(ii) Magellan

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* To what extent did the overseas empires of Spain and Portugal upset the European balance of power? [20]

OR

2 (a) Which of the following was of greater importance in establishing Spanish power in the Americas?

(i) The conquest of Mexico

(ii) The conquest of Peru

Explain your answer with reference to both (i) and (ii). [10]

(b)* 'The establishment of the Catholic Church was the most important consequence for indigenous people of Portuguese and Spanish settlement.' How far do you agree? [20]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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